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## 1 Schubert Eisenstein series

We try to explain the concept of Schubert Eisenstein series and possible arithmetic implication. This is joint work with D. Bump and a survey talk at RIMS. The original work can be found in [1]

### 1.1 Schubert Eisenstein series

Let us start with a general set up.

Let  $G$  be a split reductive algebraic group over a global field  $F$ . Let  $\hat{T}$  be the maximal torus of the group  $\hat{G}$  with opposite root data, so that  $\hat{G}(\mathbb{C})$  is the connected Langlands L-group. Let  $\nu \in \hat{T}(\mathbb{C})$ . Then  $\nu$  parametrizes a character  $\chi_\nu$  of  $T(\mathbb{A})/T(F)$ , where  $\mathbb{A}$  is the adele ring of  $F$ . Extending  $\chi_\nu$  to the Borel subgroup  $B(\mathbb{A})$ , let  $f_\nu$  be an element of the corresponding induced representation, so that

$$f_\nu(bg) = (\delta^{1/2}\chi_\nu)(b)f(g), \quad b \in B(\mathbb{A}). \quad (1)$$

The flag variety  $X = B \backslash G$  is a projective variety. We recall its decomposition into Schubert cells. We have the Bruhat decomposition  $G = \bigcup BwB$ , a disjoint union over  $w \in W$ , and let  $Y_w$  be the image of  $BwB$  in  $X$ . The Schubert cell  $X_w$  is the Zariski closure of  $Y_w$ . It equals

$$\bigcup_{\substack{u \in W \\ u \leq w}} Y_u,$$

where  $u \leq w$  is the Bruhat order. Let  $G_w$  be the subset of  $G$  that is the union of  $BuB$  for  $u \leq w$ . It is not a subgroup. Let  $X_w(F)$  be the set of  $\gamma \in B_F \backslash G_F$  belonging to  $X_w$ . Thus  $X_w(F) = B_F \backslash G_w(F)$ . We may now define the *Schubert Eisenstein series*

$$E_w(g, f, \chi) = \sum_{\gamma \in X_w(F)} f(\gamma g).$$

## 1.2 Bott-Samelson varieties

Let us recall the Bott-Samelson varieties and their relationship with Schubert varieties. We will denote by  $\alpha_i$  and  $s_i$  the simple roots and corresponding simple reflections. Let  $w \in W$  and let  $\mathfrak{w} = (s_{i_1}, s_{i_2}, \dots, s_{i_k})$  be a reduced decomposition of  $w$  into a product of simple reflections:  $w = s_{i_1} \cdots s_{i_k}$ . Let  $P_j$  be the minimal parabolic subgroup generated by  $B$  and  $s_j$ . We define a left action of  $B^k$  on  $P_{i_1} \times \cdots \times P_{i_k}$  by

$$(b_1, \dots, b_k) \cdot (p_{i_1}, \dots, p_{i_k}) = (b_1 p_{i_1} b_2^{-1}, b_2 p_{i_2} b_3^{-1}, \dots, b_k p_{i_k}). \quad (2)$$

The quotient  $B^k \backslash (P_{i_1} \times \cdots \times P_{i_k})$  is the *Bott-Samelson variety*  $Z_{\mathfrak{w}}$ . There is a morphism  $\text{BS}_{\mathfrak{w}} : Z_{\mathfrak{w}} \rightarrow X_w$  induced by the multiplication map that sends

$$(p_{i_1}, \dots, p_{i_k}) \mapsto p_{i_1} \cdots p_{i_k}.$$

This map is a surjective birational morphism.

It is known that Bott-Samelson varieties are always nonsingular, so this gives a resolution of the singularities of the Schubert variety  $X_w$ . The map  $\text{BS}_{\mathfrak{w}} : Z_{\mathfrak{w}} \rightarrow X_w$  may not be an isomorphism. In special cases where it is an isomorphism, every element of  $X_w$  has a unique representation as a product  $i_{\alpha_1}(\gamma_1) \cdots i_{\alpha_k}(\gamma_k)$ , where if  $\alpha$  is a root (in this case a simple root)  $i_{\alpha}$  is the Chevalley embedding of  $\text{SL}(2)$  into  $G$  corresponding to  $\alpha$ , so the image of  $i_{\alpha_i}$  lies in the Levi subgroup of  $P_{i_i}$ . Beyond these special cases where  $\text{BS}_{\mathfrak{w}}$  is an isomorphism, in every case each element of  $X_w$  has such a factorization, and if the element is in general position, it is unique, since  $\text{BS}_{\mathfrak{w}}$  is birational. Let us call this a *Bott-Samelson factorization*. This means that we may write

$$E_{s_1 \cdots s_k}(g, \nu) = \sum_{\gamma_k \in B_{\text{SL}_2}(F) \backslash \text{SL}_2(F)} E_{s_1 \cdots s_{k-1}}(i_{\alpha_k}(\gamma_k)g, \nu), \quad (3)$$

building up the Schubert Eisenstein series by repeated  $\text{SL}_2$  summations. If  $\text{BS}_{\mathfrak{w}} : Z_{\mathfrak{w}} \rightarrow X_w$  is not an isomorphism, a modification of this method should be applicable.

## 1.3 $\text{GL}_3$ Schubert Eisenstein series, Explicit Computation

Let us be more precise : let  $G = \text{GL}_3$  and let

$$\zeta^*(s) = |D_F|^{\frac{s}{2}} \prod_v \zeta_v(s), \quad \zeta_v(s) = \begin{cases} (1 - q_v^{-s})^{-1} & \text{if } v \text{ is nonarchimedean,} \\ \Gamma_v(s) & \text{if } v \text{ is archimedean} \end{cases}$$

where we recall that  $D_F$  is the discriminant of  $F$ . For simplicity we will assume that the character  $\chi$  is unramified at every place. Find  $\nu_1, \nu_2 \in \mathbb{C}$  such that

$$(\delta^{1/2}\chi) \begin{pmatrix} y_1 & & \\ & y_2 & \\ & & y_3 \end{pmatrix} = |y_1|^{2\nu_1+\nu_2} |y_2|^{\nu_2-\nu_1} |y_3|^{-\nu_1-2\nu_2}.$$

We will denote this character  $\chi_{\nu_1, \nu_2}$ . Also, take  $f = f^\circ$  where

$$f^\circ(g) = f_{\nu_1, \nu_2}^\circ(g) = \prod_v f_v^\circ(g_v).$$

Thus if  $k \in K$

$$f_{\nu_1, \nu_2}^\circ \left( \begin{pmatrix} y_1 & * & * \\ & y_2 & * \\ & & y_3 \end{pmatrix} k \right) = |y_1|^{2\nu_1+\nu_2} |y_2|^{\nu_2-\nu_1} |y_3|^{-\nu_1-2\nu_2}.$$

For each  $w \in W$  normalize the Schubert Eisenstein series and denote

$$E_w^*(g; \nu_1, \nu_2) = \zeta^*(3\nu_1) \zeta^*(3\nu_2) \zeta^*(3\nu_1 + 3\nu_2 - 1) E_w(g; \nu_1, \nu_2)$$

and

$$\hat{E}_{s_1 s_2}^*(\nu_1, \nu_2) = E_{s_1 s_2}^*(\nu_1, \nu_2) - E_{s_2}^*(\nu_1, \nu_2) - E_{s_2}^*(\nu_2, 1 - \nu_1 + \nu_2). \quad (4)$$

Similarly

$$\hat{E}_{s_2 s_1}^*(\nu_1, \nu_2) = E_{s_2 s_1}^*(\nu_1, \nu_2) - E_{s_1}^*(\nu_1, \nu_2) - E_{s_1}^*(1 - \nu_1 + \nu_2, \nu_1). \quad (5)$$

**Theorem 1** [1]  $E_{s_1 s_2}^*(g; \nu_1, \nu_2)$  has meromorphic continuation to all  $\nu_1, \nu_2$ . It has a functional equation

$$E_{s_1 s_2}^*(g; \nu_1, \nu_2) = E_{s_1 s_2}^* \left( g; \frac{2}{3} - \nu_1, \nu_1 + \nu_2 - \frac{1}{3} \right).$$

Moreover  $\hat{E}_{s_1 s_2}^{**}(g; \nu_1, \nu_2)$  is an entire function.

The similar result holds for  $\hat{E}_{s_2 s_1}^*(\nu_1, \nu_2)$ .

## 1.4 Kronecker Limit Formula

Bump and Goldfeld proved the following result. If  $K/\mathbb{Q}$  is a cubic field, and  $\mathfrak{a}$  is an ideal class of  $K$  one may associate with  $\mathfrak{a}$  a compact torus of  $\mathrm{GL}_3$ , and if  $L_{\mathfrak{a}}$  is the period of  $\kappa(g)$  over this torus, then the Taylor expansion of the L-function  $L(s, \mathfrak{a})$  has the form  $\rho s^{-1} + L_{\mathfrak{a}} + \dots$ . Therefore if  $\theta$  is a character of the ideal class group then  $L(s, \theta) = \sum \theta(\mathfrak{a}) L_{\mathfrak{a}}$ . The proof involves showing that the torus period of the Eisenstein series equals a Rankin-Selberg integral of a Hilbert modular Eisenstein series.

Considering Taylor expansions of  $E_w$  for various  $w$  at  $\nu_1 = \nu_2 = 0$  we get

**Theorem 2** [1] *We have*

$$\kappa(g) = \frac{\rho}{3} \zeta^*(2) \left[ \hat{E}_{s_2 s_1}^{**}(g; 0, 0) + E_{s_1}^{**}(g; 1, 0) \right] + c_0.$$

*Furthermore*

$$\kappa(g) = \frac{\rho}{3} \zeta^*(2) \left[ \hat{E}_{s_1 s_2}^{**}(g; 1, 0) + \phi_{s_2}(g) \right] + c'_0.$$

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